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HILARY TERM, 3 WILLIAM 4th, 1833.

1 ORDERED,—That a standing Committee of three Benchers, to be called "*THE COMMITTEE OF ŒCONOMY*," be elected annually in Hilary Term for the whole year.

2. ORDERED,—That the Treasurer for the time being shall ex-officio be one of the three members of the Committee of Œconomy and the Standing Chairman thereof.

3. ORDERED,—That the government, management and control of the œconomical houshold and domestic arrangements of Osgoode-Hall, be wholly vested in the Committee of Œconomy, under the superintending control of The Benchers in Convocation.

4. ORDERED,—That the servants of the House shall be bound under written contract, detailing as accurately as may be, the duties to be performed and the wages to be paid ; and the Committee of Œconomy for the time being shall take care that the terms of the contract be fully complied with, and shall have power to dismiss such servant or servants as may be disobedient, irregular, or by any misconduct, become unfit in the opinion of the Committee, and all such written contracts shall express the servants undertaking to abide by the determination of the Committee, touching his or her conduct and continuance in, or removal from service.

5. (*Confirms the arrangement of the apartments made by the late Committee of Economy.*)

6. ORDERED,—That Breakfast Dinner and Tea shall be regularly served up at the following hours: Breakfast at 8 o'clock, A. M.; Dinner at 5 o'clock, P. M.; and Tea at 8 o'clock, P. M.; except on Sundays, when dinner shall be at 2 o'clock, P. M. and Tea at six o'clock, P. M.

7. ORDERED.—That Breakfast, Dinner, and Tea, respectively, shall remain on the table one hour; after which time the table shall be cleared, and not spread again, till for the next regular meal.

8. (*Rescinded.*)

9. ORDERED,—That each bed-room shall be furnished by the Society with the following articles as its permanent furniture, viz:—one bedstead, one table, two chairs, one wash hand stand, one water pitcher, one basin, one water pot, one candlestick and snuffers.

10. ORDERED,—That every member residing at Osgoode Hall as a quarterly boarder, shall find his own bed, bedding, towels, and washing of his own personal apparel.

11. (*Rescinded.*)

12. ORDERED, That members of the Society not living at Osgoode Hall may breakfast, dine, drink tea, or take *Luncheon* at the tables at the hours prescribed, at the following rates:—Breakfast, £0 1 2. *Luncheon*, £0 1 0. *Dinner*, £0 1 6. *Tea*, £0 1 0. And any and every member being a Barrister may call for a bottle of wine at a charge of 5s. or a pint at 2s. 6d.

13. (*Rescinded.*)

14. ORDERED,—That every member inviting a stranger to the tables of the Hall shall pay for his Guest's dinner 3s. 9d. and for all other matters as chargeable to members themselves not being boarders.

15. ORDERED,—That every quarterly boarder omitting for the space of 10 days to pay in advance agreeably to the Order of the Convocation in that behalf, shall upon such omission be chargeable with the daily board of 4s. 8d. and if this daily charge be not fully paid up on the last Saturday of the sixth week after such his omission; such person for such his omission and for non payment of the daily charge incurred thereby, must withdraw from the Hall as a boarder, remaining liable to his arrear of daily board so in-

curred, and not readmissible as a boarder till board in arrears, and quarter in advance be paid : which being done, he will be admissible if there be room.

16. ORDERED,—That no bed curtains be allowed but woollen.

17. ORDERED,—That Cards shall not be played within the Hall ; and that Gambling shall be deemed an offence so serious that those offending against this Order shall be excluded from the Hall.

18. ORDERED,—That the House be closed and doors locked at half past ten o'clock, P. M. And if any Students, who are boarding, absent themselves at night from the Hall, it shall be the bounden duty of the Steward to report it once a fortnight to the Committee of Economy, who are authorized to act thereon as they may judge fitting.

19. *(Temporary and Specific.)*

20. { *(Relate to different Subjects.)*

21. }

22. *(Confers the privileges of a Barrister as to Commons in the Common Hall upon the Secretary.)*



HILARY TERM, 4th WILLIAM 4th, 1834.

1. ORDERED,—That the 13th Executive Order of Convocation of Hilary Term, 3 William 4th, relating to Luncheon, be rescinded.



HILARY TERM, 5th WILLIAM 4th, 1835.

1. ORDERED,—That no application to the Convocation, with reference to any matter of the proper competence of the Committee of Economy, or over which they shall or may at any time, whether regularly or otherwise, have exercised control, shall be received from any member of this Society, whether Benchers, Barristers, or Students, or from any Officer or servant of this Society, whomsoever, or from any other person or persons whomsoever, except by way of appeal from the decision of the Committee of Economy, upon a written application to them : and that in every such case, the course

shall be, for the person desirous of appealing from any such decision of the Committee, to address a letter to the Treasurer of this Society, which shall contain no remarks, statements, comments, or arguments upon, or with reference to the matter decided upon, but which couched in respectful terms, shall briefly represent to the Treasurer,—“That he” (the applicant) “humbly conceives that the Committee of Economy have taken a mistaken view of the subject matter of his application, and that he therefore most respectfully requests that the same, with the decision of the Committee thereon, may be laid before the Benchers of the Society in Convocation, for their final decision thereupon, to which whatever it may be, he” (the applicant) “will at all times most cheerfully and promptly submit.”—In every which case, Mr. Treasurer, shall within three days thereafter, or at the first Convocation which shall be held after the expiration of such three days, lay such application, with the decision of the Committee indorsed thereon, or appended thereto, and also, such letter of appeal upon the Table of Convocation.

2. ORDERED,—That no appeals from the decisions of the Committee of Economy, on applications to them, nor any of the proceedings of Convocation had thereon, shall be entered on the Journals of Convocation, unless the Convocation shall think fit otherwise to order, but such appeals, with the proceedings of Convocation minuted on the same, shall be kept on file, numbered and lettered with the other papers of the Committee of Economy.

3. ORDERED,—That the Eighth Executive Order of Convocation of Hilary Term, 3d. William 4th, be rescinded—and that members shall be charged for Commons and Chambers, at the rate of Forty Pounds per annum, payable Quarterly in advance.

4. ORDERED,—That the whole of the Eleventh, and so much of the Twelfth Executive Order of Convocation of Hilary Term, 3 William 4th, as relates to Luncheon and the charge for Dinner, be rescinded,—and that members shall be charged for daily Commons, at the rate of Four Shillings and Eight Pence per day, of which the charge for dinner shall be 2s. 6d. For Term Chambers and Commons, at the rate of One Pound Ten Shillings per week, payable in advance.—And that members at Quarterly Chambers and Commons making default in paying in advance, within the



time specified by the 15th Order of the same Term, shall be chargeable with daily Commons, at the rate of Four Shillings and Eight Pence, as directed by that order.

RESOLUTIONS

OF

Convocation.

HILARY TERM, 5 WILLIAM 4th, 1835.

1. *Resolved*,--That the powers vested in the Committee of Economy, by the Third Executive Order of Convocation of Hilary Term, 3 William 4th, over the household and domestic arrangements of Osgoode Hall, were intended to extend and do extend, (subject always to the superintending control of the Benchers in Convocation,) to an absolute power of granting or denying at any time, Chambers and Commons, or either, to any member of the Society whomsoever, whether Benchers, Barrister, or Student, to requiring any member already in Chambers, to retire from the same at the instant, or at such other time as they may think fit to appoint; and to forbidding any member the Hall, whenever, and as often as any such steps shall or may tend to advance the interests of the Institution, of which tendency they alone are the sole judges: and that such power ought in the opinion of this Convocation, to be exercised without calling the party or parties before them, or otherwise hearing them, and without any other inquiry or investigation other, than such as for their own satisfaction the Committee themselves shall or may think fit to institute. And the Committee are hereby specially enjoined, not to omit the exercise of such power whenever and as often as the quiet of the House may seem to require the same.

2. *Resolved*,--That the Committee of Economy, as the Executive authority of the Society, with respect to the household and domestic arrangements of Osgoode Hall, and all matters connected with the same, must, whether actually

assembled or not, be deemed and taken to be always in Session. And that the directions of the Chairman, whether actually given in the presence of the other members of the Committee or not, must at all times, and in every instance be deemed and taken to be to all intents and purposes, the directions of the Committee, as if given in full Committee the other members tacitly assenting, until the Committee upon application to them in writing, with respect to any such directions, or upon verbal reference to them by the chairman himself, shall think fit otherwise to direct. And that it is also the opinion of this Convocation--That as the directions of the Committee ought never to be reversed by the Benchers in Convocation, except in cases of absolute and manifest necessity, so neither ought the power (undoubtedly vested in the Committee,) of reversing or overruling the direction of their chairman, to be ever exercised except in cases of absolute and manifest necessity, it being in the opinion of this Convocation all important to the quiet and good order of the House, that the authority of the Committee of Economy, who can only be influenced by a desire to advance the interests of the Institution, and to contribute as far as possible to the comfort and satisfaction of all its members, should be fully supported and upheld in the exercise of their powers by the Benchers in Convocation--and that the Treasurer, whose duties as Chairman of that Committee are still more burdensome and important, and who can only be influenced by a similar desire, should be equally supported and upheld in the exercise of his powers by both the Committee and the Convocation.

DIRECTIONS,

OF

THE COMMITTEE OF ECONOMY.

1 Directed,—That Applicants for Chambers, are by themselves, or agents, Members of the Society, resident in Toronto, to enter their names in the Book kept for this purpose, by the Steward; such entry to state the Town Lodgings of the applicant or his agent.

2. *Directed*,—That on any vacancy occurring, the Steward shall give notice thereof to the applicant whose name stands first on this Book, or to his Agent at his lodgings in town.

3. *Directed*—That in default of the applicants availing himself of the notice, and paying his Commons and Chambers in advance, agreeably to the executive order of Convocation in this respect, within twenty-four hours after such notice, it shall be the duty of the Steward to give the like notice of the vacancy to the member whose name stands next in "the Book of Applications;" and thus in succession till the vacant Chamber be occupied.

4. *Directed* That the name of every applicant omitting to take Chambers in the order in which his application is entered, shall be put at the foot of the list and he shall remain unaccommodated till his name again assumes the first place in order.

5. *Directed*—That Members are requested to keep in mind that they are permitted to invite a friend to the tables agreeably to the order made in this respect; but that none but members of the Society are permitted to sleep within the Hall upon any pretence whatever.

6. *Directed*—That no change of Chambers be made except with the permission of the Committee of Economy upon written application to them for that purpose.

7. *Directed*,—That the Bed Rooms in the Attic of the Eastern Building, be kept for the accommodation of Barristers only, together with the Secretary.

8. *Directed*,—That the Parlour, Dining Room, Library, Study, Stairs and Passages be lighted with Oil Lamps or Candles, at the expence of the Society, but that all Quarterly Boarders do find at their own expence their Bed Room candles.

9. *Directed*,—That the Steward of the House shall only provide for the cleaning of one pair of Shoes, or one pair of Boots each day, for each gentleman resident in the Hall—beyond which, compensation must be made to the servant.

10. *Directed*,—That, for the purpose of preventing the extreme inconvenience arising from conversation in the Library, and for the better accommodation of the Judges, Barristers,

and Students, the Barristers' Room be used for the present as a Study, into which all Students disposed to read for their improvement, may retire for this purpose, with such book or books from the Library as may be required, these books to be restored to the Library, daily, after reading.-- No Student shall read in the Library, neither shall they hold conversation therein, nor hold conversation in the Study, to the annoyance or disturbance of any other person reading or studying therein.

11. *Directed*--That no book shall be taken from the Hall, on any pretence whatsoever, and that those taken to the Study shall be every morning returned to the Library, by the person using them.--And no fire shall be continued in the Library after Five o'clock, except in Term time.

12. *Directed* That a sheet of paper be left on the Table of the Library every morning, on which every person taking a book to the Study, shall enter the name of the book and volume taken, and his name on the same line, in order that if any of the Judges or Barristers may happen to require the book removed, the person may be applied to for it, for the use of such Judge or Barrister.

13. *Directed*,--That any Gentleman indebted for Wine or Commons, and neglecting to pay the Steward on the exhibition of his Bill, shall be refused Wine, and (not being a regular Quarterly Boarder,) admission to Commons, till such bill be paid.

